

Please leave the do not call list law intact. There are too many companies who abused their ability to call people at home, over and over again. Interrupting important family activities to harass and badger private citizens with absolutely no accountability. Even when we told these companies over and over again that we were not interested in their services, they kept no records of our refusals and continued to invade our private family time, seeming not to care even as we continued to voice our objections.

If I watch a TV show, go to the movies or read a newspaper, I understand that viewing advertisement is part of paying for the service. I voluntarily enter into this compact every time I enjoy one of these services. But my private time is my own, and I deeply resent commercial enterprises that take advantage of our open society by using the phone lines to contact me with advertisements when I derive no benefit in return. In fact, I pay for my own phone service and it should be illegal to use a privately owned communication device without the owner's consent, which these companies routinely do.

My rights as an American citizen should supercede any special interest group's lobbying efforts and I will not stand idly by while they attempt to weaken this law. If the telemarketing industry had done a better job of policing themselves in the first place, we would not have needed the do not call list. But they stampeded over our concerns and didn't police themselves, so we as Indiana citizens acted to preserve our rights to privacy and the sanctity of our homes.

I implore you not change the do not call list law in any way. If you do, there will be political and economic consequences for you and any who try to assist you, as the anger and frustration I express is shared by the vast majority of Indiana citizens. It is the will of the people, therefore that you abide by and uphold the privacy protections in the current law.

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